



Staff Interaction

Focus Group 2 Outbrief

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Discussion Topics

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Session 1 - Advanced Concept Technology

Demonstrators (ACTDs)

Session 2 - Education vs. Training

Session 3 - AF IPTs

Session 4 - Program Responsibility



Issue #1 ACTDs

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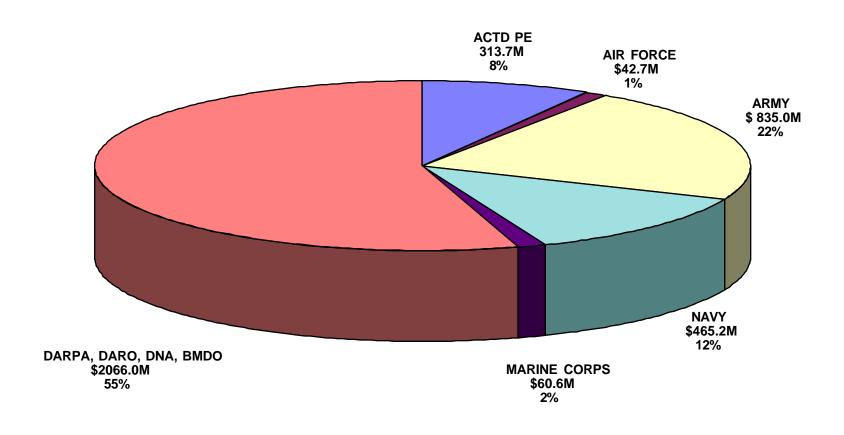
The lack of an Air Force corporate process for evaluating, staffing, funding and managing Advanced Concept Technology Demonstrators results in missed opportunities to evaluate new technologies and leverage OSD funding



FY 95/96 ACTDs by Service/Agency (Including Out Year Funding)

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ACTD Summary

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Issue: No formal AF corporate level process; Currently worked by ad hoc basis

Recommendations:

- Establish AFROC as OPR to review/flesh out ALL ACTDs
- Staff candidates through Corporate Structure
- Fund OSD approved programs' first 2 yrs from existing PE
 - AF/PE to identify appropriate PE (not 6.1, 6.2, 6.3)
- Establish separate PE for out years for accepted candidates
- Brief ACTDs at next CORONA to get 4-Star support
- XOR, AQR & MAD support OSD "Breakfast Club"
 - Provide feedback

OPR: AF/XOR; SAF/AQR; AF/PEI



Issue #2 Education &Training

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Today's education and training fails to adequately prepare our PEMs, AOs, and IPT leaders to effectively perform their duties.



Education vs. Training

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Problem: Current training focus too narrow

- Teaches "how to do" not "why we do"
- "Few people understand how it all fits together"
 - ex. Many acquirers don't understand function of CINC's
 IPL and impact on requirements process
 - ex.- Many operators don't know who Dr. Kaminski is & what role he plays in meeting their requirements
- AOs want and need the "Big Picture"

How can we give our AOs the "Big Picture" perspective?



Education & Training Summary

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Issue: Current PEM/AO training inadequate

Recommendations:

- Charter IPT to:
 - Develop PEM/AO "Big Picture" course (2-3 days)
 - Includes requirements, PPBS, Acq Mgt, IPTs
 - Solicit AETC course development expertise
 - Evaluate need for/recommend minimum standards
- Course mandatory for all PEMs & functional AOs
 - Within first 90 days
 - Make available to MAJCOMs

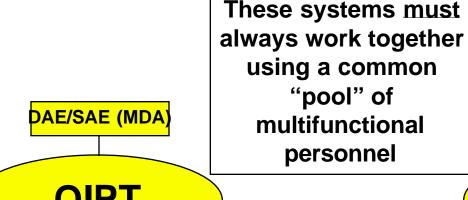
OPR: SAF/AQX



Issue #3 **AF Integrated Process Teams**

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SECAF/CSAF **AF COUNCIL** AF BOARD **AF GROUP**

> **Mission or Mission Support Panel**

OIPT

"ACQUISITION" (Successful Programs)

> **Program Office** (Program IPT)

WIPT

(Air Force IPT)

SAMP **Cost Performance Test Strategy** FY98 POM **Foreign Military Sales**

"CORPORATE" (Streamlined Review)

MAJCOM



AF IPT Summary

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Issue: WIPT - Who's in charge?

Recommendations/Actions:

- Reissue existing guidance
- One lead PEM he/she is in charge
- Validate/publish/maintain IPT directory
 - One WIPT w/ varying membership
- Ensure newcomers receive HQ AF IPT training
- AQ & XO will review personally and issue policy

OPR: AF/PEF



Issue #4 Program Responsibility

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Lack of a clear definition of ownership and well defined transition criteria results in confusion and wasted effort



Questions

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- What do we mean by ownership?
 - Responsibility for Program Element?
 - WIPT leadership?
 - Lead organization for cut drills?
 - Budgeting responsibility?
- Should responsibility for program and responsibility for PE ever be split?
- What criteria should be used to determine when management responsibility should transfer?
- Should every Air Staff agency have PEMs?



Program Responsibility Cradle to Grave - Summary

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Issue: Should there be a single lead at the Air Staff from program concept to disposal? If so, who? If not, what alternative organization?

Recommendations/Actions:

- AQ and XO will work personally
 - Don't need CSAF and SECAF help
 - Don't need impartial third party

OPR: AF/XO and SAF/AQ